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SUBJECT: Somalia - TFG Support for Piracy Resolution

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¶1. (C) As requested in Ref A, Post has engaged Somalia's Transitional Federal Government (TFG) at an appropriately high level regarding its support for the U.S. sponsored Security Council resolution on piracy.

On May 4, the Ambassador and Special Envoy raised the issue of support for the UNSC resolution with Prime Minister Hassan Hussein (Ref B). On May 7, we provided the Somali Ambassador to Kenya some suggested text for a letter to the President of the Security Council supporting the piracy resolution. The Ambassador told us that he spoke with the Prime Minister about sending the letter and assured us that that it would be addressed.

¶2. (C) On May 9, we received revised text from the Department for a draft letter of support. We sent the revised text to the TFG Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation. We requested that the Foreign Minister send immediate instructions to the Somali Permanent Mission to the UN to submit the TFG letter to the Security Council no later than May 9. The Somali Ambassador to Kenya confirmed that he spoke with the Prime Minister on the subject and the PM promised to take quick action from Mogadishu. In addition, the Permanent Secretary to the President told us he would follow up with the Foreign Minister to ensure the task was completed by May 9.

¶3. (C) We understand that the TFG letter which will be submitted to the President of the Security Council will use the most recent text as suggested by the Department. We will continue to follow up with all of the relevant actors to ensure that the TFG demonstrates strong support for the draft resolution.

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